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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the references identified on the attached PTO-1449 form, copies of which are enclosed herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98, be made during the course of examination of the above mentioned application for United States Patent.

REMARKS

Enclosed are copies of the two references cited in the International Search Report. The Examiner's attention is directed to the International Preliminary Examination Report which finds that the claims meet the three standards of patentability.

Also enclosed is a copy of U.S. Patent 5,426,640 as cited in the priority application, as well as copies of three publications cited in the introductory portions of the specification. Favorable consideration of the present application is hereby requested.

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